

ARGUMENTS IN GRONER TRIAL

First For Prosecution Made by Attorney A. M. Brown—
Contrasts Two Stories Told by the Accused—Two Attorneys For Defense Will Plead—Case Should Reach Jury Today.

Discrepancies in the testimony that John F. Groner gave before the coroner and what he testified to in the superior court were made points of attack in the prosecution's opening argument made by Attorney A. M. Brown just before court adjourned on Thursday afternoon.

Except for an interval to allow John and Thomas McGrath and Timothy Dixon to plead guilty to assault upon the gypsy camp in Lebanon last spring, the court gave all its time to the trial of the Groner case on Thursday. The state rested at 11:35 in the morning, the defense rested at 2:45 in the afternoon and Attorney Brown, who is assisting State Attorney Hull in the prosecution of Groner on the charge of manslaughter, made a thirty minute argument in presenting the case to the jury.

The attorney for the prosecution pointed out that the story told by the accused varied widely before the coroner and before the court in the particular detail of what happened at William T. Hartley's house when Groner went there looking for his wife and Eugene T. Frazier, the man whom he is accused of kicking in the throat and causing his death. Before the coroner, Groner testified and been that he found Frazier standing at the foot of the bed where Mrs. Groner was, but in his testimony in the superior court, the accused stated that he found the man he is accused of killing holding Mrs. Groner by the wrist while she was screaming and yelling. Before the court also Groner testified that he was protecting himself against Frazier, who came at him like a wild man with both arms flying. The attorney reminded the jurors that there was no "unwritten law" in Connecticut.

Testimony on Thursday.
Mrs. Eugene Frazier, wife of the dead man, was the first witness when court resumed Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. She said that on the morning of the trouble Groner came to her house about 4:30 and said to her, "I've caught my wife and your husband at Hartley's. I gave him a couple of kicks he'll remember for a long time."

Then, she said, he wanted her to go with him to Hartley's. She at first refused and then decided to go. On the road she said she met her husband, who passed them without saying anything. He was on his way to a doctor's house and was able to walk without difficulty.

Witness turned back to her home and about 5 her husband came home. She said his throat was bruised and she bathed it and took care of him. Later Mrs. Groner came to attend to her husband and the following day he died. She said also that when Groner came after her he said he wanted to have Frazier arrested.

Coroner Franklin H. Brown was the next witness. He rehearsed the hear-

ing which he conducted into the case. The state rested when his testimony was finished.

Accused on the Stand.
The defense began by putting the accused on the stand first. He made a dramatic witness.

With wild gesticulations and in an emphatic voice he told his version of the trouble which led to Frazier's death, stopping frequently to bring his hand down on the railing of the witness stand to make his testimony more positive.

Groner said at the beginning of his testimony that he can neither read nor write. He told a story of the incidents preceding the murder that tallied with those of the preceding witnesses. He said he went to Jewett City on the day of the trouble and drank considerable, returning to his home in Voluntown to get Mrs. Groner to return with him to Jewett City. She did not go with him, he said, and he left the child at Hartley's house.

Later he said he saw Frazier and Mrs. Groner in an auto outside the Hartley home. About 4 in the morning Groner said he went to the Hartley house. The Hartley girl opened the door and Groner walked right upstairs after her into a bedroom, where he found Mrs. Groner and Frazier.

Thought Frazier Sought Club.
Frazier, the witness said, yelled at Groner not to touch Mrs. Groner, and then, Groner said, Frazier reached over the end of the bed as Groner thought to secure a club. Then witness said he kicked Frazier twice in the throat.

Groner testified in a loud voice and in an excited manner. He said at one point in his testimony to Major Hull, "Do you get me?"

On cross examination Major Hull asked Groner how it was that one day he went to the grand jury to have Frazier arrested on the charge of adultery and then next day went again to the grand jury and wanted the charge changed to rape. Groner could not explain.

Other witnesses to follow the accused were his wife, Grace M. Groner, Silas L. Barber, Ella Whipple, Hulda Bullock and John Franklin Gurnet. Witnesses put on to testify to the good reputation borne by the accused were A. H. Bennett, stage proprietor in Canterbury, Ferdinand L. Dupont, an overseer, John L. Lewis, treasurer and Edward E. Clark, employed by the Briggs Manufacturing Co. at Voluntown. Then both sides rested.

The arguments in the case will be continued this morning when court opens. There are two arguments to be made for the accused by his attorneys, Edmund W. Perkins and Thomas M. Shields. State Attorney Hull will then close for the prosecution.

PAID \$700 FOR ASSAULT ON GYPSIES.
John and Thomas McGrath and Timothy Dixon Changed Their Pleas.

It cost John and Thomas McGrath and Timothy Dixon some \$700 for breaking up the gypsy camp in Lebanon last spring, striking one of the women of the gypsy band and taking money from a trunk in one of the wagons of the camp. Thursday in the criminal court at Hartford the three pleaded guilty and each was fined \$75 and costs, the total bill being in the neighborhood of \$700.

At the last session of the criminal court the McGraths and Dixon pleaded not guilty. The postponement of the trial to this session.

At the opening of the session the trio pleaded not guilty, but Thursday they changed their pleas.

MASONIC GRANT LODGE.
Annual Communication Feb. 5 and 6—Charity Foundation Meeting.

The 125th annual communication of the grand lodge of Connecticut, F. and M. S. Lodge No. 125, will be held at 87 Church street, New Haven, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 5 and 6. The session Wednesday morning will begin at 11 o'clock. Grand Master Justin Holden of Norwich will preside and read his address as grand master. Reports will be made by Deputy Grand Master Wilbur Comstock of East Hartford, Grand Secretary Frank W. Havens and Grand Treasurer Stanley B. Bosworth of Hartford and Grand Trustee William H. Mix of New Haven.

Charles Billings Chapman of Norwich and Isaiah Baker, Jr. of Hartford. The afternoon session will be held at 2 o'clock. Reports will be made by committees and officers for the ensuing year. The closing session will be held Thursday morning at 9 or 9:30 o'clock. Committee reports will be made, unfinished business completed and the new officers installed.

The annual meeting of the Masonic Charity foundation of Connecticut (the Masonic Home corporation) will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 5, at Masonic hall, New Haven, at 7:30. For many years the sessions of the grand lodge have been held in May. A change was made to January for the time of the annual communication. Last year the constitution was amended and the time for the annual communication fixed for the first Wednesday in February.

INSTALLED MOULDERS' OFFICERS.
President Carey Serving for Fourteenth Consecutive Year.

At the meeting of the Moulders' union, No. 128, Thursday evening in Carpenter's hall, the following officers were installed: President, T. A. Carey; vice president, T. Wallace; recording secretary, D. P. Beebe; financial secretary, M. Dougherty; treasurer, J. Fitzgerald.

President Carey was installed as president for the fourteenth consecutive year. The proposed workingmen's compensation act was brought up for discussion.

AT THE AUDITORIUM.
Vaudeville and Motion Pictures.

A bill that the vaudeville lover is that scheduled for the first half of the week at the Auditorium, and those who attend the opening performances on Thursday will enjoy the approval of the programme of clay and motion pictures. George Clay demonstrated his skill with the crayon, drawing a variety of pleasing cartoons, and interspersing his work with an entertaining monologue. Francis & Denard display well tuned voices and ability on the piano as well. Archer & Carr have a pleasing line of songs and jokes and excellent voices, winning and hand in recognition of their excellent work. The motion pictures are well selected and add to the value of the bill.

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HOLDS WIFE IS BOSS, NOT MOTHER-IN-LAW
Mother May Live with Son, but Must Not Try to Rule.

New York, Jan. 16.—Supreme Court Justice Frederick E. Crane of Brooklyn decided Wednesday that in a son's home the wife and not his mother was boss.

The ruling of Justice Crane against the mother-in-law came in a suit for separation brought by Gardner L. Field of 123 Rogers avenue, Brooklyn, against his wife, Adelaide F. Field. Dismissing the complaint, the court holds that a wife is not obliged to live with her husband if the husband's mother resides with them and makes the home unpleasant and distressing to the daughter-in-law. The mother-in-law, the court holds, can have no say whatever regarding the management and control of the home without the consent of the wife.

Field complained that his wife had left their home on July 29 and refused to return there so long as his mother, Mrs. Ida M. Birmingham, lived with them.

AN AGREEMENT ON IMMIGRATION BILL.
Wives, Widows and Single Daughters Exempt From Reading Test.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The immigration bill was agreed upon in conference between the two houses today. It will be brought up for adoption probably tomorrow in the house, where it was reported last today by Representative Burnett of Alabama, who framed the house proposition. As agreed upon immigrants will have to read their own language, but this requirement will be waived in the case of wives, widows, single daughters and certain others.

The senate will concur here the requirement both arithmetic and writing tests.

The tax on immigrants was increased by the conference from four to five dollars each but there were exceptions as to this in favor of Canadians and Mexicans because of their adjacent territory.

WON'T BE CANDIDATE FOR A RE-ELECTION.
Mayor Gaynor Makes Declaration to Holland Society.

New York, Jan. 16.—Mayor William J. Gaynor in addressing the dinner of the Holland Society of New York tonight intimated that he would not be a candidate for re-election.

"You have brought many good citizens into this country," said the mayor in the course of a eulogy of the society, "and I think you should know to whom to vote right. I might make a bet that a whole lot of you did not vote for me. (A voice: "But we will next time.") You didn't know enough. But here is an address as grand master. You will know enough the next time—but you won't get a chance."

Waterbury Chauffeur Not Guilty.
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Laurence Minot of Boston, Mass., was elected to fill the vacancy. The resignation of Augustus S. May was also read and accepted and Morton F. Plant of Groton, Conn., was elected to fill the vacancy.

Killed by Gas While He Slept.
Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 16.—Fatality from the use of gas heater caused the death by asphyxiation last night of Oscar Boland, aged 19, of Meriden, in his room in his father's home in Black Rock. The young man was found dead in bed this morning with the gas turned on and partly burning in the gas stove.

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